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7 UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT FOR THE  
8 WESTERN DISTRICT OF WASHINGTON  
9 AT SEATTLE

10 UNITED STATES OF AMERICA,  
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12 Plaintiff,

13 v.  
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15 MAAR RAMBANG,  
16 Defendant.

NO. CR22-215 JHC

ORDER FINDING DEFENDANT  
COMPETENT TO STAND TRIAL

17 The Court held a hearing on December 13, 2024, to determine whether Defendant  
18 Maar Rambang is competent to stand trial. For the reasons below, the Court finds  
19 Defendant competent.

20 On August 20, 2024, defense counsel filed an unopposed motion for a competency  
21 evaluation and hearing. Dkt. # 33. The Court granted that motion and ordered Mr.  
22 Rambang to undergo a competency evaluation. Dkt. # 34; *see* 18 U.S.C. § 4241(a). The  
23 Court also stayed the pretrial motions deadline and the trial date, pending the conclusion  
24 of the competency proceedings. Dkt. # 34.

25 Defendant was then designated to the Federal Detention Center in SeaTac and  
26 evaluated by Bureau of Prisons psychiatrist Dr. Ryan Nybo. In his report, Dr. Nybo  
27 found that Mr. Rambang is competent to stand trial. Dkt. # 37 (sealed report).

1 Defendant appeared before the Court on December 13, 2024, with his counsel. At  
2 that hearing, the defense did not object to the finding in the BOP psychiatrist's evaluation  
3 that Defendant is competent to stand trial.

4 Having considered the evidence presented at the competency hearing, including  
5 the report of the BOP psychiatrist and the other records of this case, along with the  
6 Court's own observations of Defendant and the statements of counsel, the Court finds  
7 Mr. Rambang competent to stand trial. A preponderance of the evidence establishes that  
8 he is not presently suffering from a mental disease or defect rendering him mentally  
9 incompetent to the extent that he is unable to understand the nature and consequences of  
10 the proceedings against him or to assist properly in his defense. *See* 18 U.S.C. § 4241(d).  
Accordingly, Mr. Rambang is competent to stand trial.

11 All time between the date of the Court's Order granting the competency review  
12 (August 21, 2024) and the date of this Order is excluded from the speedy-trial calculation  
13 under 18 U.S.C. §§ 3161(h)(1)(A), 3161(h)(1)(F), and 3161(h)(1)(H).

14 IT IS SO ORDERED.

15 Dated this 13th day of December, 2024

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18 JOHN H. CHUN  
19 United States District Judge  
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